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SUBJECT: LEAA FOOTWEAR PROGRAM

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1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FROM RCMP FULL SET OF SPECIFICATIONS
ON FOOTWEAR USE DY THEM FOR TRANSMISSION TO LEAA AS THEIR
CONTRIBUTION TO SUBJECT PROGRAM. CANADIAN SPECIFICATIONS HAVE
BEEN DRAWN ON BASIS OF CONTINUING RESEARCH IN THIS AREA WHICH IS
OFTEN CRITICAL TO HIGH PERFORMANCE OF POLICE UNITS OPERATING
IN SEVERE CLIMATES SUCH AS ARE ENCOUNTERED IN CANADA. RCMP HOPES
RESULTS OF THEIR WORK WILL BE HELPFUL AND WOULD IN TURN APPRECIATE
RECEIVING RESULTS OF LEAA STUDY. (CANADIAN MATERIAL BEING POUCHED
DIRECTLY TO LEAA/SHUBIN.) AS LEAA IS AWARE, RCMP HAS ONLY RECENTLY
ACCEPTED FEMALE OFFICERS FOR FULL RANGE OF POLICE DUTIES. IN
THIS CONNECTION THEY ARE ENCOUNTERING DIFFICULTIES WITH SPECIFICATIONS

FOR FEMALE FOOTWEAR ESPECIALLY THAT SUITABLE FOR HEAVY FIELD WORK AS DISCTINCT FROM UNIFORM USAGE. RCMP BELIEVES THAT LEAA MAY BE AWARE, THROUGH ITS CONTACTS WITH VARIOUS US POLICE UNITS WHERE SITUATION MAY HAVE BEEN ENCOUNTERED PREVIOUSLY, OF INFORMATION WHICH WOULD BE HELPFUL TO THEM IN COPING WITH THEIR PROBLEM. ANY INFORMATION WHICH COULD BE MADE AVAILABLE SHOULD BE AIR POUCHED TO EMBASSY, ATTENTION SCICOUNS, FOR TRANSMISSION TO RCMP RESEARCH COORDINATING OFFICE.

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